(a) whether there has been a reciprocal move on the part of the Pakistan Government to the Indian decision to pull back its troops from combat position;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to ensure that the pull back does not compromise the defence and security needs of the country?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES) : (a) and (b) Intelligence inputs suggest that Pakistan has moved some of its troops back to peace time locations that are in close proximity of the operational locations. However, the strategic reserves of Pakistan Army continue to be located in the operational location. The pace of pulling back of the Armed Forces also indicates that Pakistan intends to undertake the process in a phased manner.

(c) The strategic relocation of troops by India is being carried out in a gradual manner without impairing the capacity to respond aggressively and decisively to any emergency and without lowering the vigil in Jammu and Kashmir.

Per Unit cost of Electricity

*136. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the per unit cost of electricity, State-wise, Union Territory-wise and sector-wise;

(b) the cost of electricity per unit in the developing countries and developed countries; and

(c) the reasons for variations?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI ANANT GANGARAM GEETE) : (a) The average tariff charged by the various utilities from domestic, commercial, agricultural/irrigation and industrial consumers is given in Statement I (*See* below)

(b) The details of cost of electricity in various countries including India are given in Statement II (See below)

(c) The cost of generation from various power projects in various countries is dependent on a variety of factors like type of project *viz.* Hydro, Thermal or Nuclear; cost of fuel; technology used, mode of financing, difference in the tax regime etc.

Statement-I

Consumer Category-wise Average Tariff, 2001-02 (Annual Plan)

(Paise per Kwh)

	States	Domestic	Commercial	Agriculture/ Irrigation	Industrial
	1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	174.00	426.00	15.00	439.45
2.	Assam	186.76	468.66	272.41	429.66
3.	Bihar	109.50	276.60	13.37	362.26
4.	Delhi(DVB)	149.86	415.81	50.00	424.80
5.	Gujarat	243.00	448.00	39.00	439.57
6.	Haryana	259.33	411.73	37.02	428.00
7.	Himachal Pradesh	104.00	261.00	50.00	265.00
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	85.00	160.00	220.00	135.00
9.	Karnataka	198.00	572.12	30.51	409.93
10.	Kerala	81.02	436.40	67.21	225.18
11.	Madhya Pradesh	159.58	430.64	7.20	437.77
12.	Maharashtra	248.02	456.39	82.28	419.93
13.	Meghalaya	135.53	192.23	51.72	208.26
14.	Orissa (GRIDCO)	175.72	369.74	107.73	322.98
15.	Punjab	211.46	368.56	0.00	300.26
16.	Rajasthan (Transco.)	190.87	429.76	46.26	392.88
17.	Tamil Nadu	169.26	401.70	1.31	379.60
18.	UP (Power Corp.)	185.17	431.50	107.83	464.44
19.	West Bengal	148,88	237.28	57.87	320.01
	Average : SEBs	184.16	406.65	35.38	368.37

1		2	3	4	5
II EDs					
1.	Arunachal Pradesh	300.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
2.	Goa	134.41	390.48	112.84	379.76
3.	Manipur	181.90	250.00	171.00	198.50
4.	Mizoram	129.00	199.00	0.00	245.00
5.	Nagaland	160.00	280.00	0.00	225.00
6.	Pondicherry	94.95	235.82	7.51	205.54
7.	Sikkim	97.00	152.00	0.00	135.00
8.	Tripura	92.00	120.00	68.00	118.00
	Average of EDs	119.09	254.45	41.69	266.74
	All India Average	183.13	404.21	35.40	366.50

SOURCE : Planning Commission (Annual Report on the working of SEBs and Electricity Deptt.) May, 2002

STATEMENT II

Retail Prices* in Selected Countries in US Dollars/Unit

Countries	Electricity for Industry (kWh)	Electricity for Households (kWh)
Austria	0.07	0.13
Belgium	0.04	0.13
Canada	0.03	0.05
Denmark	0.05	0.19
Finland	0.04	0.07
France	—	0.10
Germany	0.05	0.12
Hungary	0.05	0.06
Japan	0.16	0.23
Korea	0.06	0.07
Spain	0.05	0.12
Sweden	0.03	0.08
United Kingdom	0.05	0.10
United States	0.04	0.08
India	0.07	0.03

*Prices are for 4th quarter of 2000

SOURCE : International Energy Agency (Key World Energy Statistics, 2001 Edition)